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SUBJECT: DRAFT BK/O AND BK/L ON REICHSBAHN ASPECT

OF INNER-GERMAN AGREEMENT

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C) BONN 20713

1. SUMMARY: ALLIED MISSIONS HAVE ACCEPTED DEPARTMENT'S CHANGES AND HAVE AGREED ON SEVERAL SMALL ADDITIONAL MODIFICATIONS PROPOSED BY BRITISH. BRITISH STILL REQUIRED FORMAL EMBASSY AND LONDON APPROVAL, BUT MISSIONS HOPE TO BE ABLE TO SHOW TEXTS TO SENAT DECEMBER 30 AND, UNLESS SENAT HAS MAJOR DIFFICULTIES, TO ISSUE DOCUMENTS JANUARY 5 BACKDATED TO DECEMBER 19. END SUMMARY.

2. ALLIES QUICKLY ACCEPTED DEPARTMENT'S IMPROVEMENTS. FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CHANGES SUGGESTED BY BRITISH EMBASSY WERE ALSO MADE IN TEXTS SUBMITTED REF A:

A) "ENVISAGED" WAS INSERTED AFTER "MODIFICATIONS" CONFIDENTIAL

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IN TILES OF BOTH DOCUMENTS;

B) SUBPARA 4(A) OF BK/O WAS MODIFIED TO READ "THE

RELEVANT DOCUMENTS, AND IN PARTICULAR THE PLANS CONCERNING THESE MEASURES, AR TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE DEUTSCHE REICHSBAHN..." BRITISH POINT WAS TO PROVIDE SLIGHTLY MORE FLEXIBILITY IN NATURE OF SUBMISSION REICHSBAHN WOULD BE EXPECTED TO MAKE. NEITHER WE NOR FRENCH BELIEVED IT NECESSARY TO REQUIRE SUBMISSION OF CONTRACTS EXPLICITYLY, BUT BOTH REJECTED TENTATIVE BRITISH SUGGESTION THAT REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN ALLIED OR, WHERE APPROPRIATE, SENAT APPROVAL SHOULD NOT BE LEVIED DIRECTLY UPON REICHSBAHN AS IN PAST.

C) REFERENCE IN SECOND PARAGRAPH OF BK/L TO LETTER OF THREE AMBASSADORS WAS DELTED AS SUPERFLUOUS, AND REFERENCE TO BK/L(71)3 WAS CORRECTED TO BKC/L(71)3.

3. BRITISH MUST STILL SUBMIT PACKAGE TO EMBASSY AND LONDON BUT HOPE TO BE IN POSITION TO PERMIT ALLIES TO PASS TEXTS TO SENAT FOR VIEWS DECEMBER 30. SENAT WOULD BE TOLD THAT UNLESS THEY HAD MAJOR PROBLEM ALLIED INTENTION WAS TO ISSUE DOCUMENTS NEXT MONDAY BACK-DATED TO DAY ON WHICH INNER-GERMAN PACKAGE WAS CONCLUDED. GEORGE

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